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CASE NO. 56/362

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:	)	
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Christian Rutkowski et al.	)	
	)	Art Unit: 2116
International Patent Application	)	
No. PCT/EP00/04856	)	
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For: METHOD FOR THE	)	
SYNCHRONIZED START-UP OF	)	
A NUMERICAL CONTROL	)	

**AMENDMENT PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.312**

Mail Stop Issue Fee  
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Dear Sir:

This Amendment is in response to the Notice of Allowance and the Notice of Allowability mailed December 30, 2004. The proposed Amendment is necessary and was not

earlier presented because it responds to objections made in the Notice of Allowability regarding the drawings. Since the present Amendment regards a matter of form, it is not believed that an additional search will be required. Furthermore, no new issues should be raised by the Amendment. Accordingly, Applicants request that the present Amendment be entered.